

Amendment No. 1 to HB2951

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2917

House Bill No. 2951*

by deleting the amendatory language of SECTION 1 in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-16-602(c), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (c)(1) and by adding the following as new subdivisions (c)(2) and (c)(3):

(2) It is an offense for a person to intentionally prevent or obstruct a process server from attempting to serve a legal document, including but not limited to a writ, execution, garnishment, notice, order or other process on either the person on whom the legal document is to be served or a supervisor at such supervisor's place of business if:

(A) The supervisor knows that the person on whom the legal document is to be served is on the premises of the supervisor's place of business; and

(B) The supervisor refuses to either:

(i) Make the person on whom the legal document is to be served available for service; or

(ii) Permit the process server reasonable access to the person on whom the legal document is to be served during normal business hours.

(3) As used in this subsection (c):

(A) "Process server" means a public employee or a private person with the authority to serve process; and

(B) "Supervisor" means a person who exercises control over a place of business.